MOUNTS RUN REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH CENTENNIAL 1837-1937



UNION TOWNSHIP
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA

HISTORY

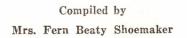
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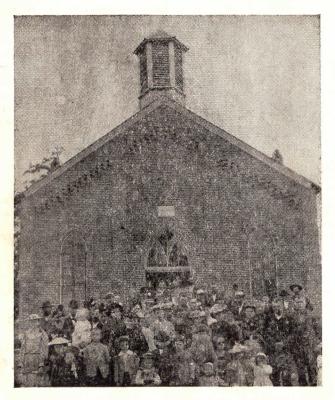
Mounts Run

Regular Baptist Church

Organized

October 7, 1837





MTS. RUN REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH

A group of church people at the regular Saturday morning meeting in 1896. Elder John Huff was the pastor.

MTS. RUN CHURCH — 1937

OFFICERS

PastorElder E. A. Williams
Deacons
John D. Dulin and Carl Cragun
Trustees
Moderator R. L. Hine
Church clerk Harry Romine
Assistant Church clerk
Church Treasurer Buren Shoemaker
Assistant Church Treasurer Carl Cragun

Finance Committee

Buren Shoemaker, treasurer; John D. Dulin, George Essex
Eva Romine, Charles Essex, Fern Shoemaker
Pianist Pauline Heckman
Assistant Pianist Lois Williams
Chorister George Essex
Assistant Chorister Grant F. Routh

CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE

In August 1937 the church by motion and second, agreed to hold a centennial observance in October on the regular meeting day. It was also moved and seconded that Sister Fern Shoemaker be appointed to write the Church History to be read at that meeting.

In September, the moderator, pro tem, Elder E. A. Williams, appointed the following committees for the Centennial Observance:

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Elder W. E. Essex, chairman Mrs. Oma Shoemaker, Mrs. Ora Pipes, Mrs. Carl Cragun

ARRANGEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Dora Dulin, Mr. Buren Shoemaker

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Fern Shoemaker, Mrs. Martha Hawkins, Mrs. Eva Romine Mr. Harry Romine, Mrs. Zulia Dulin.

PROGRAM

The following program was planned for the day:

Morning Service

Sunday School 10 o'clock
Church Service
Songs-Congregation. "Ch Happy Day" p. 244, "At the Cross" p. 256
Welcome Address Mizs Laata New
Devotional.
Special Song Evelyn Shoemaker, Lois Williams
Sermon.
Benediction

Afternoon Services

Song-Congregation
Prayer.
Song Cld Members
Special Song A Sister Church
History of Mts. Run Church Fern Shoemaker
Special Music Essex Quartet
Talks Older Members
Special Song Huckstep Children Sermon.
Song—Congregation
Benediction

History of Mounts Run Church

1837 - 1937

ORGANIZATION

On Saturday the 7th day of October 1837, pursuant to a previous arrangement by request the following brethren met, viz: Elder George Dodson, Deacon John King, Samuel Lane and Ezekiel Shirley. After worship and other necessary arrangements proceeded to the organization of a church on Mts. Run and the following members went into the constitution, viz: John Allen, Sarah Ruble, Sally Johnson, John Spencer, John Lane, Samuel and Linney Dooley, James and Lucy Peters, and John B. and Jane Allen, and were constituted upon Gospel premises agreeable to the Regular Baptist Order on the Articles of Faith held by the Danville Association which church took the appellation of Mts. Run. The Presbytery regularly ordained Brother James Peters, Deacon of the church.







James Peters

1st. The church being seated in order invited members from sister churches to seat in council.

2nd. Inquired after fellowship and union found.

3rd. Opened the door for the reception of members and received by experience and baptism Brother Jesse Thompson, and by letter Brother Robert Dooley and Julia, his wife, and Brother Squire and Sister Jane Dooley into full fellowship with us.

4th. The church appointed Brother James Peters, deacon, and Brother Samuel Dooley, clerk.

5th. Agreed that we hold our meetings of business on the second Saturday of every month.

6th. The church agrees to adopt for their government the Rules of Decorum of the Eagle Creek church.

7th. The church called Brother George Dodson to attend her as pastor and he consented to take on himself the pastoral care of the church.

8th. The church appointed Brother George Dodson, Moderator.

9th. The church appointed Brethren Samuel Dooley, Robert Dooley and John B. Allen, trustees to receive a title to the land on which our meeting house is to be built.

CHURCH ERECTED 1837

The meetings of worship for Mts. Run have been held in three different buildings, viz: A log house, 1837 to about 1846; a frame building from about 1846 to 1878; the present brick building from 1878 to 1937, present time. In April, 1846, the church by motion and second, agreed to meet the first Saturday in May, 1846, to make plans for a more comfortable meeting house. No record has been found relative to the exact time of building such a frame church, but many have testified that they have attended church in such a building and many yet remember when it was torn down, piled into lots and auctioned to the highest bidder by Brother William Carey. Some of the material is yet on near by farms.

In July 1878 the church by motion and second agreed to build a new meeting house which is the present one. In August of the same year they met and decided upon the size, materials and other necessary items. The size agreed upon was 36 ft. x 52 ft. x 16 ft. The building was to be of brick, with a slate roof. The building committee consisted of the following persons: George W. Shoemaker, Sr., George Shelburn, Levi P. Shoemaker, Richard Walker and John P. Stark. The committee to secure the capital with which to build said house included John W. Abbitt, Isaac M. Shoemaker, James R. Stark, C. O. Dulin and Ambrose Baughard. During the construction of this building the church met in school house District No. 4 for worship.

In May 1906 plans were made to remodel the present church building. The building committee consisted of the following persons: Isaac Isenhour, Alcetus Ottinger, John P. Stark, Charles Burgess and James B. Shoemaker. It was agreed by motion and second to remodel by doing the following: raise the building, make it have more pitch, make it a four gable roof instead of two; build a vestibule with a cupola, put in a metal ceiling instead of plaster; dig a basement, put in a furnace, and reseat it with new seats. During such remodeling no meeting was held in September and October, but in November the church met at the home of Brother and Sister John P. Stark, and by December the church building was completed and meeting was held there. At the completion of such remodeling, appropriate dedication exercises were held. This building was redecorated in the summers of 1922 and 1936. Electric lights were installed in 1928.

No exact system of finance has been used during the existence of the church but in 1841 the church agreed that each male member of the church should pay 25 cents each August for the upkeep of the church. At other times the "card and envelope system" was used. For the last sixteen years the budget system has been used.

In the organization meeting the church adopted the Articles of Faith of the Danville Association and from that time was a member of that Association and continued such affiliation until 1890. At this time differences arose in the Danville Association as to the utility of the Gospel, and Mts. Run Church withdrew from the Association. Mt. Tabor Association was organized in 1891 and since then the church has affiliated with that Association.

HOUSEKEEPERS OR JANITORS

At the January meeting of the church in 1861 they decided to employ a housekeeper to take care of the house and let to the lowest bidder. However no bid was offered at each succeeding meeting until July of same year, Brother Isaac M. Shoemaker's bid to furnish fuel and candles and keep the church clean for the term of one year

from date for the sum of \$8.50. The church awarded him the job and agreed to pay him one-half of sum at the end of six months and the other at the close of year. Others who served as housekeepers or janitors are: Isaac Darnall, J. M. Dulin, John Thompson, J. H. Bush, Ernest Harshbarger, Alva McCloud, Sherman Essex, Chester Shoemaker and George Essex.

E. A. WILLIAMS, PASTOR, 32 YEARS



Seventeen pastors have had the pastoral care of the church during these 100 years. Of these seventeen, one patsor, Elder E. A. Williams, has served almost one-third of the time. Eight years after his ordination, Brother Williams accepted the call to serve Mts. Run Church, and has continued until the present time.

Elder E. A. Williams

The following pastors have served the church: Brother George Dodson, from 1837, time of organization, to 1843; Brother Abraham Smock, 1843-1845; Brother Bery Harris, 1845-1852; Brother John Kinder, 1852-1861; Elder Green, 1861-1862; Brother H. I. Salla, 1862-1867; Brother John Hawkins, 1867-1874; Brother J. T.Oliphant, 1874-1876; Brother L. W. Brandom, 1876-1880; Elder Allen McDaniel, 1881-1882; Elder John Kinder, 1882-1884; Brother William Hambrick, 1884-1886; Elder James W. Shirley, 1886-1891; Elder W. M. Benson, 1891-1892; Elder James W. Shirley, 1892-1894; Brother John Huff, 1894-1900; Elder J. E. Lee, 1900-1902; Elder A. D. Griggs, 1902-1905; Elder E. A. Williams, present pastor, 1905-1937.

The following pastors have served as assistant pastors for the church, Brothers Green, Abston, J. W. Shirley, Keeney and L. W. Brandom.

J. P. STARK, CLERK 47 YEARS



Five Brethren have served the church in the capacity of clerk. Almost half of the records were kept by Brother John P. Stark. The records have been kept in three books and Brother Stark finished the first one; kept all of the second and begun the third one. In all 47 years.

John P. Stark

Brother George W. Shoemaker, served more than a fourth of the time, serving 26 years.

The following have served as follows: 1837-1853—16 years, Brother Samuel Dooley; 1853-1879—26 years, Brother George W. Shoemaker; 1879-1926—47 years, Brother John P. Stark; 1926-1927—1 year Brother Ernest Jones; 1927-1937—10 years, Brother Harry Romine.



G. W. Shoemaker, Sr.

The following have served as assistant clerks, viz: George Shoemaker, Erasmus Shoemaker, J. M. Dulin, W. H. Moore, J. H. Bush, Fern B. Shoemaker, Sherman Essex, Carl Cragun and Virgil Cragun.

R. L. HINE, MODERATOR 20 YEARS



The Moderators of the church have been the following Brethren, who served in order as named: George Dodson, John Spencer, William Dooley, Jesse Thompson, James Peters, John Hawkins, L. W. Brandom, Levi P. Shoemaker, J. M. Dulin, James B. Shoemaker, George Bush and R. L. Hine. Brother Hine has served continuously since 1917. Brother George Dodson served 14 years from 1837-1851.

R. L. Hine

Assistant Moderators have been the following Brethren: John Spencer, Levi P. Shoemaker, J. M. Dulin, Isaac Isenhour, R. L. Hine, C. W. Shoemaker, James B. Shoemaker, George Bush, Harry Romine and Buren Shoemaker.

The Trustees of the church have been the following brethren, in the order given: Brothers Samuel Dooley, Robert Dooley, John B. Allen, John Dulin, James Peters, Squire Dooley, John W. Peters, James E. Stark, John W. Abbitt, Isaac Isenhour, John P. Stark, James Hughbanks, W. H. Stark, George Bush, James B. Shoemaker, George F. Yates, Dora Dulin and W. E. Essex.

The first Treasurer of the church was James R. Stark in 1886. Others who have served as treasurers are as follows: John C. Shoemaker, John W. Abbitt, Dora Dulin, C. A. Stephenson, J. M. Dulin, Alcetus Ottinger, William Moore, John Harshbarger, George F. Yates, Sherman Essex and Buren Shoemaker.

As Deacons of the church the following Brethren have served in the order given: James Peter, John B. Allen, Jesse Thompson, Squire Dooley, James W. Peters, Monroe Dulin, Isaac Isenhour, Alcetus Ottinger, William A. Kincaid, William H. Moore, R. L. Hine, Ernest Essex, Harry Romine, Carl Cragun and John D. Dulin.

AID IN CONSTITUTING CHURCHES

Help from Mts. Run church in constituting churches at various places have been asked and the requests granted as follows:

BROWN'S WONDER

In January 1840 a request for help to constitute a church in the Brown's Wonder neighborhood came. The church by motion and second agreed to send Brothers James Peters, John Dulin and Robert Dooley to help constitute the church.

NORTHFIELD

In October 1843 the church received a request from a number of brethren requesting aid from this church to constitute a Regular Baptist Church at Northfield on the 4th Saturday in October, 1843. The church agreed by motion and second to send Brothers John B. Allen, James Peters, John Spencer, Jesse Thompson, and Samuel Dooley. In the November meeting the brethren sent to assist in constituting a church at Northfield reported to the church that they had thought it inexpedient to sit in council with a Missionary Board, there being no correspondence, which course the church approved.

THORNTOWN

In May 1853 the church received a letter from the arm of Thorntown church requesting help to constitute a church on Friday before the 5th Saturday in July. The church agreed by motion and second to send Brothers John Dulin and James Peter to help.

UNION CHAPEL, HAMILTON COUNTY

April 1864 the church agreed by motion and second to send help to Union Chapel, Hamilton County, Indiana, the first Saturday in June of 1864, to constitute a church. The church agreed to send six of the brethren, to wit: Elders L. W. Brandom, Wilson Thompson, John Hawkins, and Brothers George W. Shoemaker, Sr., James Peters and John Dulin.

ORDAINED HELP FROM MTS. RUN

January 1854, Eld. John Kinder requested help to ordain a minister for Thorntown Church. By motion and second the church agreed to send the same.

In April 1856 the church by motion and second agreed to send

ordained help to Mt. Tabor to help ordain Brother Keeney and Brother Leap to the ministry.

In December 1864 the church by motion and second agreed to send ordained help to First Liberty Church to help ordain two ministers.

In January 1875 the church agreed by motion and second to send ordained help to Little Flock Church to help ordain an arm of the church.

In January 1879 the church agreed by motion and second to send ordained help to Mt. Tabor Church to help ordain a minister.

In August 1879, the church by motion and second, agreed to send ordained help to Eagle Creek Church to assist in ordaining a minister.

In December 1895, by motion and second, the church agreed to send ordained help to Mt. Union Church to help ordain Brother

In December 1896 the church agreed, by motion and second, to Griggs to the ministry, the first Saturday in January 1896. send ordained help to Mt. Tabor to assist in the ordination of Brother Rollie Smith, the 3rd Saturday of January 1897.

In March 1897 the church agreed by motion and second to send ordained help to Cynthiana Church to assist in the ordination of Brother E. A. Williams.

ORDAINED MINISTERS FROM MTS, RUN

The following ministers have been ordained as follows:

June 1845, the church considered Brother David Presley's Gift as a preacher of the Gospel and by motion and second, agreed to liberate him to preach the gospel wherever God in his providence might cast his lot. The church also ordered the clerk to write him a license to that effect. Brother presley had been received in the church the previous month by relation.

June 1861, the church by motion and second, agreed to liberate Brother L. W. Brandom to preach the Gospel of Christ wherever God and his providence cast his lot. Mr. Brandom had joined the local church by letter in November 1857. Mr. Brandom was duly ordained at Mts. Run in June 1864.

April 1862, by motion and second, the church agreed to grant licenses to Brethren Wilson Thompson and G. W. Parrish to preach the Gospel of Christ wherever God and his providence called them. Both were received in the local church in February 1862. Ordination services were held for Brother Wilson Thompson in November 1862.

February 1873, Brother George Howson was received by relation

into the local church. At this same meeting the church, by motion and second agreed to ordain Brother Howson at the March meeting. At the March meeting, however, when they were ready for ordination services, objection was made by three brethren and the church voted down the same, and turned the case over to the committee, which stopped the services. Nevertheless, in May 1873, the church ordered the clerk to issue a license to Brother Howson to preach the Gospel of Christ wherever God and his providence called him.

ELDER W. E. ESSEX



Elder W. E. Essex

Out of this group of Regular Baptist church people, has come one son, William Ernest Essex, to preach the Gospel. During the last 88 years of the Church's History we find the ancestors of Mr. Essex active in the business of the church. His great grandfather, Brother George W. Shoemaker, Sr., having united with the church by experience and baptism in 1849, served continuously in the church until his death in 1888. We find his grandfather, and grandmother, Brother Henderson Bush and Sister Emerine Shoemaker Bush active in the church

from the time of their conversions until their death. His father, Alonzo Essex has been a member since 1889 and his mother Ada Bush Essex has been a member since 1880. All of these facts point to the belief that Mr. Essex is truly a son of the church. Mr. Essex united with the church by experience and baptism in 1902, and continued to serve as a lay member until in 1925.

While plowing corn in Union township, near the site of Mts. Run Church, he felt the call of God to preach the Gospel. A faithful and obedient servant, Mr. Essex started to do as he was bid and on Sunday after the first Saturday in December 1925, the church liberated him to preach the Gospel wherever God saw fit in his providence to send him. At the August meeting in 1927 the church voted to ordain him to the ministry. Requests for ordained help were sent

to Mt. Tabor and Big White Lick (Pittsboro) church for the regular September meeting 1927. With Brother R. L. Hine, as chairman of the council, (Mts. Run) John T. Sullivan, as clerk, (White Lick) Brother Essex kneeling and the council kneeling around him, Brother Smith (Mt. Tabor) gave the ordination prayer and the council laid hands upon him as commanded in the word of the Lord. After the singing of a song, Elder E. A. Williams gave the charge. Other members of the council were: Brothers M. L. Johnson, White Lick; John Johnson, Mt. Tabor; W. A. Kincaid, Mts. Run, and Harry Romine, Mts. Run.

Ten years have elapsed and find Elder Essex a faithful servant of the Lord, serving the following churches as their pastor: Thorntown, Indiana; Cynthiana; Mt. Tabor; Liberty, Parke county.

And as a loyal son to Mts. Run Church he brings inspired and inspiring messages of God to his home people, whenever opportunity permits.

INTERESTING NOTES FROM THE RECORDS

Janitors furnished fuel and oil until 1900. Then the church furnished the fuel and the janitor furnished the oil for the lamps.

Electric lights were installed in 1928.

December 1875—John C. Shoemaker presented the church with 9 hymn books. The church in turn appointed him librarian for the church.

July 1845—Brother Samuel Dooley was appointed Singing Clerk of the church and Brother James Peters, assistant.

December 1850—Brother A. J. McLeod was appointed Singing Clerk and Brother Robert Dooley, the assistant.

January 1858—Brother L. W. Brandom was appointed Singing clerk.

January 1850—There was no meeting because of the raging of smallpox.

From January 1838 to 1860 many were the allegations brought by certain members against themselves and sometimes against others. Usually acknowledgments were made and the church forgave them.

Present church building was redecorated in 1922 and in 1936.

July 1932—The church adopted the June meeting of each year as "Home Coming Day."

A Home Coming Meeting was held on Saturday of the June meeting, 1917.

"Home Coming Days" have been held annually since 1931.

Messengers to the Association usually were appointed by the Moderator or the Moderator appointed the first one and that one appointed the next, and so on until the required number was selected.

1903—Messengers to the Association volunteered. They were: Isaac Isenhour, R. L. Hine, F. M. Hutton, J. P. Stark, J. M. Dulin, James M. Lane and James B. Shoemaker.

1837-1909 the Messengers to the annual Associations were always men, however in 1909, Sister Dorotha Kincaid served as a messenger and in 1910, Sisters Dorothy Kincaid and Theresa Moore served. From that time on we find the women serving almost as frequently as the men.

The first record we find of the women being given an active part in the work of the church was in 1899. A committee of five Sisters was appointed by the Moderator to solicit funds to repair the church house. The committee was: Sisters M. F. Stark, Mollie Day, Elvira Hine, Kate Hoover and Dorotha Kincaid.

June 1872—Messers Neese and Hull were granted a request to operate a restaurant on or near where the Association was to be held, near Mts. Run in September 1872, "on condition that good order be kept."

August 1872—Peters and Lucas and the Dutch Baker of Lebanon were granted permission to sell candies at the Association, in September 1872, provided they "kept good order."

Fourth Saturday, July 1850—The church met in business meeting of a Special Nature, to accept a lot of ground for an addition to Eurying Ground from Brother John Spencer to be deeded to Brethren John B. Allen, Robert Dooley, and Samuel Dooley as Trustees of the church. The church agreed by motion and second to enclose the whole grave yard with plank fence within one year form said time.

August 1866—The church by motion and second agreed for the clerk, Brother George W. Shoemaker, Sr., to purchase ½ acre of land adjoining the burying ground, on the best terms it could be had, and to call two of the brethren to help him.

Collections were received at the Business Meetings and a record of same were kept from 1900-1905. These collections ranged from \$.25 to \$19.45.

January 1852—Regular Business Meeting, 5th item of Business. By motion and second the church agrees to cite Brethren Robert Abbitt and Josiah Kerns to attend next church meeting and answer for their failure to fill their seats at our church meeting.



Brother Ira J. Peters, a member for 54 years, since 1883, is the oldest living descendant of a charter member. He is the grandson of James and Lucy Peters, charter members.

The only living descendants of charter members are: Ira J. Peters, Estella Peters Neese, Lora Neese Clingler and James Hughbanks. They are descendants of James and Lucy Peters.

Ira J. Peters

The present time of holding church services, the first Saturday and Sunday in the month, was agreed upon in 1905, and has been used continuously since. Previously, the date was changed frequently.

Sister Elizabeth Bobannon, who has been a member 47 years, since 1890, is the oldest living member, being now 91 years of age.

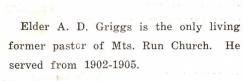


Elizabeth Bohannon



Sister Ada Bush Essex, 72 years old, has been a member of Mts. Run the longest of the living members, having united with the church about 1880.

Ada Essex





Elder A. D. Griggs

The first Association held at Mts. Run was in 1872. The church, in 1854, called for the Association in 1855, but no mention is made in the records of it being held here at that time.

The Association has been held at Mts. Run in the following years: 1872, 1899, 1902, 1911, 1919, 1925 and 1930. The next one will be held here in 1938.

A letter and messengers have been sent to the Association, every year since 1838, except 1842 and 1882.

July 1899—Business meeting 4th. Reference. Moved and seconded that the church allow a "stand" on the Association grounds in August 1899—lost.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The church records give no account of Sunday School, but according to present church members, Sunday School has been a continuous organization since 1885. During this time they often did not meet during January, February and March. According to other church members there was Sunday School as early as 1863. At this time it was held in the afternoon, and all were so eager to go that they walked through field and woods in order to reach there.

At present, 1937, Sunday School is held throughout the year, each Sunday at 10 o'clock. The present officers and teachers are:

Superintendent John D. Dulin Assistant Superintendent George Essex Secretary Mildred Essex Shepherd Assistant Secretary Evelyn Shoemaker Treasurer Dora Shoemaker Pianist Pauline Essex Heckman Assistant Pianist Lois Williams Teachers:

Class 1 and 2 Eva Romine Class 3 Harry Romine Class 4 Anna Routh;

Class	O	Itally forming
Class	4	Anna Routh;
		Ruth Shoemaker, assistant
Class	5	Carl Cragun;
		Buren Shoemaker, assistant
Class	6	Oma Shoemaker
Class	7	Evelyn Shoemaker

WILLING WORKERS

Twenty years ago, in June of 1917, the ladies of Mts. Run Church organized as a body to help promote the welfare of the church in any way possible. They agreed to call themselves the "Willing Workers" and as such have done much to help support the church, and also the Regular Baptist Messenger. Dues of 10 cents per month for married members, and 5 cents per month for single ones, are paid.

They have quilted, sewed, pieced quilts and comforts, tacked comforts, sewed for the Red Cross during the World War, served lunches at sales, and helped the needy.



The first officers were: President, Mrs. Thyra Yates; vice president, Mrs. Alvina Dulin; secretary treasurer, Mrs. Trudie Peters, asst. secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Neva Essex.

Thyra Yates

At the beginning of the organization the meetings were held in the afternoon, the first Tuesday of each month at the church, then after they began to quilt and sew they began to meet at the homes of the various members.

Now the meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month in all day sessions at the homes of the members. Business meetings and devotional services are held at the meetings on the first Wednesday. The rest of the day is spent in work and the meetings on the third Wednesday are given over to work. Cooperative dinners are enjoyed at each of these meetings and an enjoyable social spirit prevails. At present, 54 members are enrolled in the organization.



Mrs. Dora C. Dulin, has served as president of the Willing Workers continuously for about 14 years.

Zulia Dulin

The present officers are as follows: President Mrs. Dora C. Dulin Vice President Mrs. E. A. Williams Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Eva Romine Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Cleo Hillock

WEDDINGS



During the 100 years of the Church's existence, it has often been the scene of funerals, but only one wedding has ever seen held in the church, and that not until the last of the one hundred years.

On September 22nd, 1937 at 8 p. m., occurred the wedding of Mildred June Essex, daughter of George and Neva Dulin Essex, and John Shepherd. The ceremony was performed by Elder W. E. Essex, uncle of the bride. Mildred June's ancestors have been members of Mts.

John & Mildred Shepherd Run Church since 1849, eighty-eight years, when her great great grandfather, George W. Shoemaker, Sr., united with the church.

PRESENT MEMBERS OF MTS. RUN CHURCH

1880-1937—57 years: 1902-1937-35 years: Verna Shoemaker Ada Bush Essex Harold Thompson 1883-1937-54 years: Nora Essex Baker Indiola Peters Ira J. Peters Ora Dulin Pipes Carvallas Shoemaker Oran Dulin Betty Shoemaker Laatta New 1884-1937-53 years: Zulia Isenhour Dulin 1906-1937-31 years: George Bush Flora Dve 1886-1937-51 years: Elizabeth Padgett Media Scott Brock 1908-1937-29 years:

1887-1937-50 years: Allie Casev Nora Stark Lane Armenious Hine Rhoda Shoemaker Hine Dora Dulin Janie Miller 1887-1906: 1908-1937:

R. L. Hine

1888-1937-49 years: Venna Bohannon Ottinger

1889-1937-48 years: George Abbitt Alenzo Essex Bertha Stark Vance Stella Neese

1890-1937-47 years: Nancy Hawkins Elizabeth Bohannon J. N. Wood G. Frank Yates

1894-1937-43 years: Eva Hine Romine Vanora New

1896-1937—41 years: Dartha Kincaid Jane Scott (near 1896) Valeria Kincaid Stark

Near 1900-1937—37 years:

Roy C. Dulin Corrilla Stark Lizzie Thompson Alva Abbitt Lottie Scott Warren Sylvia Kolb Faulkner William Ernest Essex Ova Dulin Ottinger

Oma Dulin Shoemaker Abbie Yates Osa Essex Kouns Vassie Shoemaker Artman Lora Neese Klingler Theresa Moore William Moore Ruby Shoemaker Phillips

1909-1937-28 years: Georgia Dulin Artman

1910-1937-27 years: Cornelia Essex Crpha Kolb Sarah A. Harshharger William Audra West Samuel Rush Good Orba Wood Good Hazel Essex Kouns Gertrude Bishop Charlie Dulin Pearl Mustin Mary Dulin Wurtzler Aura Wood William A. Wood Claud Dulin Virgie Dulin Earl Dve

Albert Hine 1896-1906: 1908-'371911-1937-26 years: George Bohannon Myrtle Bohannon Edith Carey Dobson Esther Carey Luttrell Emma Red (near 1911) Arthur Brown (near 1911) 1912-1937—25 years:
Chloie Shoemaker Slater
Buren Shoemaker
Fannie Lane Wurtzler

1914-1937—23 years:
Ruth Yates Neal
Deledia Dulin Cragun
Mazephia Dulin Hull
Fern Beaty Shoemaker
Naomi Thompson Sims
Pearl Shoemaker Cox
Neva Dulin Essex
Opal Dulin Layne
George Essex
Homer Dulin

1915-1937—22 years: Harry Johnson Gladys Hawkins Barton

1916-1937—21 years: Laura Abbitt DeLong Zella Abbitt Kanis

1917-1937—20 years: Pearl Essex Engledow Ellen Dulin Sanders

1920-1937—17 years: Bessie Harshbarger Shelburn

1921-1937—16 years: Amanda Hine Rhoda Dulin

1922-1937—15 years: Minnie Cragun

1923-1937—14 years:

Iva Sutphin
Celeste Wood Essex
Charles Essex
Martha Beaty Hawkins
Pauline Beaty Richardson
Viola Harshbarger Cornett
Lillian Harshbarger
Harry Romine
Elmer Artman
John D. Dulin

1924-1937—13 years:

Henry Smith Iva Smith Alma Smith Jones Sherman Essex 1925-1937-12 years:

Dale Romine
Don Romine
Harold Essex
Rush Kolb
Francis Artman

1926-1937-11 years: Ernest F. Jones Chester Shoemaker Pauline Sutphin Howson Lena Smith West Carl Cragun Ada Essex Kouns Mary Wood Rosensthil Mary Dulin Hays Vonda Beaty Kouns Dorothy Ottinger Smalley Carrie Pipes Engledow Charles Hine Catherine Stevens Jackson James Stevens Bonnie Cragun Donnie Cragun Ruth Hine Lamar Virgil Cragun Agnes Cragun Eugene Williams Martha Cragun Hoggins

1927-1937—10 years:
Earl Jackson
Katheryn Jackson
Edward E. Jackson
Lou David Jackson

1929-1937—8 years: Marie Hancock Essex

1930-1937—7 years Fern Hine Bell Leona Pipes Ottinger Cecil DeLong

1931-1937—6 years: Lois Williams Ruth Shoemaker Gross Buren Sutphin Dovie Shoemaker Sutphin

1932-1937—5 years:
Buren K. Johnson
Fred Cragun
Thelma Engledow
Doris Cleaver Hughbanks
James Hughbanks
Ruthie Shoemaker Cline

1933-1937—4 years:
Stella Page Dulin
Eunice Williams Hillock
Cleo Hillock
Loraine Mount Cragun
Mary Schooley Shoemaker

1934-1937—3 years:
Evelyn Shoemaker
Mildred Essex Shepherd
Pauline Essex Heckman
Albert Parks

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1837 - 1937

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ARTICLES OF FAITH FOR MOUNTS RUN CHURCH

Article 1. We belive in One only True and Living God and that there are three that bear Record in heaven The Father, Son and Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

Article 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be of Divine authority and the only infallible Rule of Faith and practice.

Article 3. We belive in the fall of man, and that Adam's posterity are Sinners by Nature, and that they have neither will nor power to save themselves from their condemned and sinful state by the ability which they possess by nature.

Article 4. We believe in Election by Grace according as He has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestinated us, to the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.

Article 5. We believe that sinners are justified by the Righteousness of God, which is in Jesus imputed to them by a Divine and Supernatural operation of the Spirit of God, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto Salvation.

Article 6. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ appointed in his Churches and none but true believers are fit subjects for either, and that the proper mode for Baptism is Immersion.

Article 7. We believe no Minister has a right to administer those ordinances only such as have been regularly baptised, called and come under the Imposition of hands of a presbytery by the authority of the Church of Jesus Christ.

Article 8. We believe in the Resurrection of the Bodies, both of the just and unjust but every one in his own order, they that have done good to the Resurrection of life and they that have done evil to the Resurrection of Damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which he will judge the world in Righteousness by Jesus Christ and that the joys of the Righteous will be eternal and the punishment of the wicked everlasting.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR MOUNTS RUN CHURCH

Article 1. The business of the Church to be done the 4th Saturday of every month beginning at 11 o'clock. Any male member absenting himself three meetings in succession shall be accountable to the Church for such neglect.

Article 2. A Moderator to be chosen by a majority of voices and until another is chosen he is to preside in the Church. While at Business he is to keep order but always under the control of a majority of the Church. He is to hold his own opinion until all other members who wish to speak have spoken, except by the request of the Church. He shall take the voice of the Church when called upon for that purpose.

Article 3. When the Church is met, after prayer members from Sister Churches to be invited to seat in Council, who may give their light on any subject. But not vote in the decision of the case. The Moderator then to inquire, are all in fellowship or has any a matter of complaint to bring forward that has been treated in gospel order.

Article 4. The unfinished business of the Church (if any) now to be attended to, after which a door may be opened for the reception of members.

Article 5. Any Brother having a motion or speech to make in the Church shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator with Brotherly respect. A motion thus made not to be attended to without a second.

Article 6. No Brother is to be interrupted while speaking except he depart from the subject, on which the Moderator or any other Brother may call to order of which point or order the Church may judge when applied to for that purpose.

Article 7. No Brother shall speak more than twice on any one subject without leave of the church.

Article 8. There shall be no laughing, talking nor whispering in the time of a public speech, nor shall there be any ungenerous reflections cast on a Brother who has spoken before.

Article 9. Any Business brought into the Church shall be decided by a majority except in the great affairs of receiving into membership, unanimity is required.

Article 10. That Brotherly love may continue, the directions given in the 18 chapter of Matthew by the Savior is to be attended to, in all common cases as far as practicable in teaching with our Brethren. And in all uncommon cases the Church to be the Judge, and in all public transgressions acknowledgments are to be made to the Church.

NEW COVENANT

Of the Members of Mounts Run Regular Baptist Church.

There has always been, and surely is now, specific distinguishing characteristics belonging to the followers of Jesus Christ. These traits are the Christian-like features common to and possessed by all; so much so that there must be like desires, kindred aspirations and perfect harmony in their striving for things pertaining to Christ's Kingdom. A divided house will soon be no house. A divided opposition to Satan inevitably means a victory for Satan.

God has made us, His Children, the custodians of His truth, the instruments of the fulfillment of His purposes and the stewards of His goods.

This brings to us personal duties and obligations, many times need for sacrifice and a denial of fleshly prompting. To deny these facts or neglect these personal obligations means to stand in our own light, deprive ourselves and our children of God's promised blessings, and bring upon Zion the most disastrous and ruinous results.

It means seriously disordered social and spiritual conditions in

the community, our invitation to sin and Satan into our homes, our neighborhood and our church, and a rapid disintegration of spiritual force and power.

In consideration of the serious neglect of these duties, which none of us can plea entire freedom from, be it now known by our subscription hereunto that we covenant anew before God and with each other to reconsecrate ourselves to the performance of these God-placed duties, to the strict observance of the rules and regulations and discipline of the Church; to a consistent witnessing for His Truth by an orderly walk, Godly conversation, and to an earnest effort to disseminate the truth and further the doctrines of the Bible as we believe they are set forth by the Articles of Faith of our Church.

We further pledge our presence at the regular services of our church, sufficiently frequent as that our interest in the church will not be called in question by the church or the world, and a reasonable bestowing of our material substance to defray the necessary expenses of God's house.

In this we are not to be governed by precedent in the past, but by the crying needs of the present, and a desire for the church's welfare in future.

We further recommend that the Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith of the Church be read at least twice a year, and oftener if called for, so that each individual member may be thoroughly conversant with them.

Believing that there is a pressing need that the obligations above set forth should be signed, immediately by each member that desires to continue in fellowship with the church that we limit the time of subscribing hereunto to two months after it has been presented to them.

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